



U.S. Department of Justice

Office of the Inspector General

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June 13, 2007

The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy  
Chairman  
Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Arlen Specter  
Ranking Member  
Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman and Senator Specter:

We are writing in response to your letter, dated June 5, 2007, in which you ask whether a particular matter is included in the scope of the joint investigation being conducted by the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) and the Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR).

In your letter, you referred to Monica Goodling's testimony before the House Judiciary Committee on May 23, 2007, in which she stated that she had a meeting with the Attorney General in which the process leading to the removal of certain U.S. Attorneys was discussed. You asked whether our investigation includes this matter.

This is to confirm that the scope of our investigation does include this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Glenn A. Fine".

Glenn A. Fine  
Inspector General

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "H. Marshall Jarrett".

H. Marshall Jarrett  
Counsel  
Office of Professional Responsibility